



Sutton Road repairs still up in the air

Charlotte Smith
Editor

A meeting facilitated by Senator Rand Paul's office between Fulton County Fiscal Court and the Army Corps of Engineers yielded no definitive answers on Monday, Nov. 25. Colonel Jeff Anderson did agree to have his people revisit the claim, but was

unable to provide a time frame of when a new decision would be handed down.

Terry and Patti Patey and Pat (Sutton) Welch on the front lines during Flood Fight 2011, were front and center on Monday when Fulton County Judge Gallagher asked Col. Anderson to stand behind the decision that was made

back in May 2011. "The Pateys live with it directly every single day," stated Judge/Executive Gallagher. "We have pursued it and pursued it and we are limited on what we as a county can do."

Judge/Executive Gallagher detailed the events of Flood Fight 2011 when the decision was made to haul in heavy rock

on a road that was not built for those weight conditions. Photos displayed by Fulton County Emergency Management Director Hugh Caldwell taken in July 2011, depict the extensive damage caused by the trucks that hauled in the rock to create the

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Enrollment numbers are stable at Fulton County Schools

Charlotte Smith
Editor

For five years in a row now enrollment figures have remained constant for the Fulton County School District. In grades kindergarten through twelfth grade a total of 522 students are in enrolled in the district, with 523 enrolled in 2012-2013. "Fulton County district enrollment has remained steady the last five years and this is good news as we work on facility and budget plans and is reassuring that our enrollment is not in a decline," stated Fulton County Superintendent Aaron Collins on Thursday, Nov. 21 during a monthly meeting of the board.

Board members toured the facilities at the Fulton County Area Technology Center (ATC) prior to the meeting. "Our numbers have increased at the ATC,"

stated Sullivan. "This year between Fulton County, Hickman County and Fulton Independent our total enrollment is at 232." In 2012-2013, 181 students were attending classes at the ATC. The biggest gain was students from Hickman County with 54 students now taking classes at the ATC, compared to only 36 last year.

Increasing these numbers is imperative to keeping the ATC in Fulton County.

Sullivan is also more focused on targeting which classes each student should take. "We are being more focused, more precise when targeting which classes the students should be studying," noted Sullivan. "We are getting away from the old way of just enrolling them in whatever classes they choose. As administrators and teachers we need to work toward helping them become college and career ready before they reach their senior year, instead of scrambling in that last year to attain it." One of those ways is having them

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COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION - The Community Christmas Celebration sponsored by the Hickman Chamber of Commerce will be Friday, Dec. 6 at the Life Enrichment Center from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Soup, chili and desserts will be available and proceeds will benefit the hometown Christmas decorations like the ones pictured above. (Photo by Christina Corrigan.)

Fulton County Ag program excels

Charlotte Smith
Editor

During the 2012-2013 school year Fulton County's agricultural education program ranked among the top 10% of all agricultural education programs in the Commonwealth. This includes three areas of focus, including ACT, PLAN and/or End-Of-Course Assessments. This is a positive step with regard to assisting Fulton County students as they work

not only toward their high school graduation day, but also becoming college and career ready.

"Proficiency, Positive Relationships, and Pilot Pride" is not just our mission, but is the

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING - Lexie Grace Uzzle wishes everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. Lexie Grace and all Fulton County Elementary School kindergarteners share their take on some traditional Thanksgiving recipes. They also enjoyed learning the story about Thanksgiving while making Thanksgiving Bracelets. (See recipes and bracelet on page 2.)

THIS WEEK

OBITUARIES
Bill Morris
James Arthur Lane
Peggy Lusk Taylor

RIVER STAGE FORECASTS
OHIO RIVER AT CAIRO, ILL.
Tuesday, Nov. 26 – 16.6
Wednesday, Nov. 27 – 15.8
Thursday, Nov. 28 – 15.4
Friday, Nov. 29 – 14.8
Saturday, Nov. 30 – 14.3

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Local Weather
Wed 11/27 34/21

Sunny and wind. Highs in the mid 30s and lows in the low 20s.
Thu 11/28 42/24

Plenty of sun. Highs in the low 40s and lows in the mid 20s.
Fri 11/29 50/27

Sunny. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the upper 20s.
Sat 11/30 53/37

Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the upper 30s.
Sun 12/1 53/42

Few showers. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the low 40s.
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RETIRING AFTER 42 YEARS - Mary Cheirs pictured with some of her current and past Early Head Start children (l to r) Braylan Hendrix, Taylan Hendrix, Camille Hendrix, Samujah Cole, and Daejon Hendrix Whitney were with Cheirs during her retirement reception on Saturday. Cheirs began her career with Head Start in 1971 and moved onto Early Heart Start in 1996. "It gave me an opportunity to serve adults and preschool children," stated Cheirs. "A job I loved from the beginning." (See additional photo on page 3.) (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

EDP board comments on productive year

Charlotte Smith
Editor

Following State Rep. Wilson Stone's October 9 press conference announcing his pre-filing of BR 138 dealing with state TVA in-lieu-of tax payments to TVA counties for job creation and economic development, the Fulton County-Hickman County Economic Development Partnership (EDP) Board signed a resolution in support of this bill during their November 22 special called meeting.

The bill would redirect half of the state General Fund's share of TVA in-lieu-of tax payments back to Kentucky's 36 TVA counties by fiscal year 2019 for local economic development and job creation.

"It does not take monies away that go to the schools," reiterated EDP Executive Director Eddie Crittendon. "We could potentially get over six digit numbers to help support both counties."

Greg Grissom, current EDP chairman, has been pushing it on, along with Richard Heath in Graves County, Rep. Steven Rudy and State Senator Stan Humphries. Grissom wants to see money returned to the TVA service areas. "Anything we can create to bring the money back to the service areas is a plus," added Grissom. "Our service areas have a lot to gain from this."

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CELEBRATION - Fulton County's Jocelyn Mosley (far left) runs towards her bench, as excited teammates and fans react to the Jr. Lady Pilots thrilling 36-32 overtime win over Carlisle County. The come-from-behind win at home ran the middle school teams record to (4-0) overall and (2-0) in district play. (See story and more photos on page 4.) (Photo by Charles Choate)

Relay For Life of Fulton County team captains meet, Friends For a Cure, Citizens Bank are 1 and 2

CAYCE, Ky. - The American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of Fulton County invited team captains to an initial meeting to discuss the 2014 Relay event, which is currently planned for June 6, 2014, at Pontotoc Park.

The meeting was held Monday, Nov. 18, at Cayce United Methodist Church. Eric Walker, new Relay For Life specialist for Fulton County, welcomed the group and announced the 2013 Relay For Life event raised \$43,460.25. Top teams from last year included: Friends For A Cure - \$9,058; Citizens Bank - \$7,692; Parkway Regional Hospital - \$4,950; Letica Cares - \$2,102; Cash Team - 1,957; Reelfoot Bank - \$1,821; South Fulton Baptist Church - \$1,600; Video Plus - \$1,600; Fulton Independent Schools - \$1,358; First State Bank - \$1,000; Pic Pac - \$810; Insteel - \$684; First Church of the Nazarene: \$409

The Friends For A Cure team from Hickman also retained the Stanley Jones Cup for another year with top points to edge out Citizens Bank, Letica Cares and Reelfoot Bank teams. Friends team member David Thomas was on hand to accept the trophy.

"The American Cancer Society is very, very thankful to all the work these teams have done, as well as support from local sponsors and donors, for their backing of Relay For Life," said Walker. "The funds raised help people learn more about the importance of early

detection and cancer prevention, like quitting smoking, and also help establish programs and services to help cancer patients with issues like transportation to and from treatment and lodging when out-of-town

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TROPHY PRESENTATION - Eric Walker (left), Fulton County Relay for Life specialist, presented Friends for a Cure team member David Thomas with the Stanley Jones Cup first place trophy. Friends for a Cure raised \$9,058 for Relay for Life last year. (Photo submitted.)

A twist on some traditional Thanksgiving recipes

Thanksgiving is a time to recall and remember the many blessings we all have encountered throughout the past year. One blessing many have in common is to show thanks for the joys that children bring into our lives. It could be your newborn baby, your middle school student learning something new for the first time, a high school senior counting the days to graduation or the many kindergarten students at Fulton County Elementary Middle School.


Earlier in the month parents, grandparents and friends came and enjoyed a Thanksgiving meal with the kindergartners and other students. Some students made Pilgrims and Indian bonnets, hats and headdresses and others made Thanksgiving Story Bracelets. The bracelets explained the story of the Pilgrims and their journey from England on the Mayflower. They experienced many trials and tribulations during that trip across the ocean. Finally spotting land, living through a long winter, and finally spring arrived - all added to their joy of Thanksgiving on that day we now celebrate in November.

Here is the story of the Thanksgiving Bracelet:

Ask me about my Thanksgiving Story Bracelet!

Your child has created a bracelet to help him/her recall the story of the first Thanksgiving. Try to set aside a few minutes to listen as they recall the details they have learned. Below is a list of what each bead represents so you can help prompt your child if they are stuck.

First brown bead: The Pilgrims left England for religious freedom.
White bead: They sailed on the Mayflower.
3 blue beads: They had a long trip across the ocean.
Green bead: Thanks, they spotted land.
A white bead: There was lots of snow during their first long winter.
Light green bead: Thanks, spring arrived.
Brown bead: They met their friend, Squanto, who helped them a lot.
6 beads for the food at the first Thanksgiving:
Yellow- cranberries
Yellow- corn
Brown- turkey
Orange- pumpkin



We also thought it would be nice if the Thanksgiving children shared their recipes for various traditional Thanksgiving meal menu items, such as, turkey, ham, dressing, mashed potatoes, macaroni and cheese, banana pudding, pecan pie and more. We enjoy them for years to come.


Carla McClure



and Allison Love's kindergarten class share their Thanksgiving recipes:

Jaleeha Smith's recipe for Sweet Potato Casserole - Get some sugar and some sweet potatoes and put some cornbread in it. Put it in a pot and cook it in the oven for 10 minutes. Take it out and put some peanuts on them. Then you eat it!

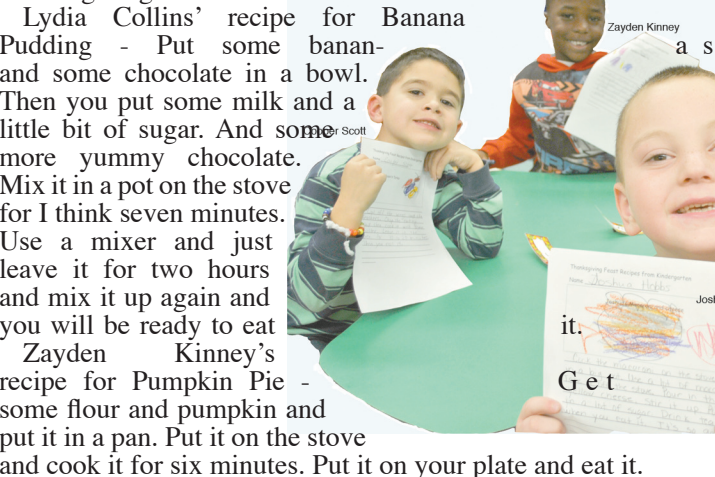
Lynna Morris's recipe for Banana Pudding - First you take some bananas and mash them up. Chop it up, too. You have to put it in the freezer for a little bit, and then the refrigerator. Put a little bit of sugar, a lot of milk and then mix in a little of your heart to make taste yummy. I really like chocolate chip cookies, so I will put them in too. Cook it in the microwave. I have never actually made it, but I think it will take four hours.



Caisley Coulson's recipe for Corn Pudding - Get a pot put cheese in it, cornbread, corn on the cob, and pudding. Bake it in the oven at 350° for 50 minutes. Serve it at Mema's for Thanksgiving dinner.

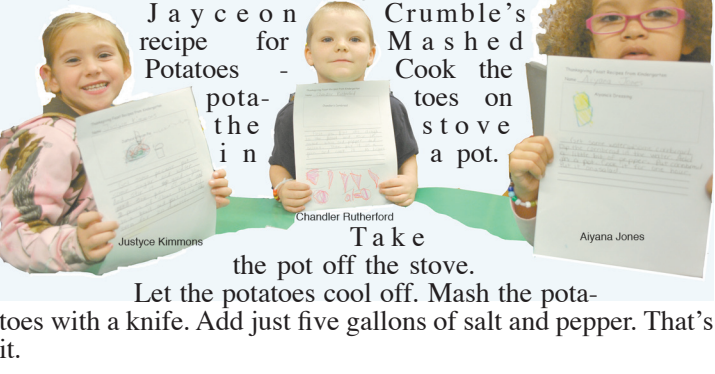


Lydia Collins' recipe for Banana Pudding - Put some banana and some chocolate in a bowl. Then you put some milk and a little bit of sugar. And some more yummy chocolate. Mix it in a pot on the stove for I think seven minutes. Use a mixer and just leave it for two hours and mix it up again and you will be ready to eat it.



Cooper Scott's recipe for Turkey - Cut off the wings and the feathers. Chop the turkey and then cook it with some butter. Leave it in the oven for 10 to 20 minutes. Then you eat it.

Joshua Hobbs' recipe for Macaroni and Cheese - Cook the macaroni on the stove in a big pot. Use a lot of macaroni. Take it off the stove. Pour in the yellow cheese. Stir it up. Put in a lot of sugar. Drink tea when you eat it. It's so good!



Chandler Rutherford's recipe for Cornbread - First you put the dough in the bowl and mix in some salt and pepper and onions. Then put it in a pan and cook it 10 hours.

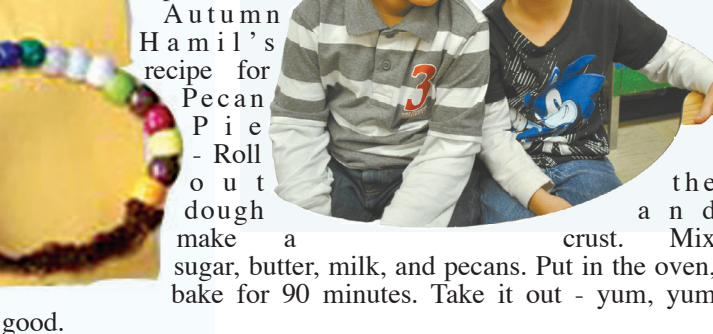
Justyce Kimmons' recipe for Pecan Pie - Get some pecans put some sugar and water and stir it up good. You need one pour of milk and two pours of flour. Put it all in a bowl and put it in the oven for 20 minutes.



recipe for Dressing - Get some water, season, milk, and sugar. Mix it up and put it in the oven at 5° for 10 minutes. Take it out, add ice cream and eat it up.

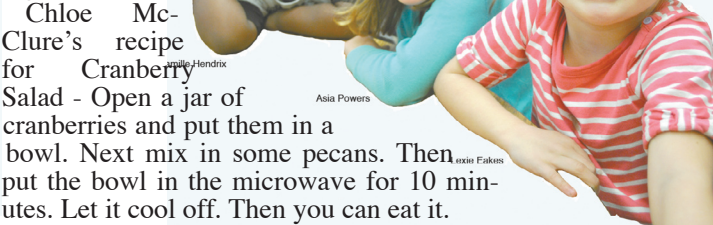
Chailc Wilson's recipe for Pumpkin Pie - 1 pumpkin, water, seasoning, milk, and sugar. Mix it up and put it in the oven at 5° for 10 minutes. Take it out, add ice cream and eat it up.

Tyler Powell's Turkey - Put it in the oven. You take it out and clean it up and put it in the cornucopia.



Andrew Crumble's recipe for Turkey - Cut off his skin and then you cook it in the oven for 20 minutes.

Chloe McClure's recipe for Cranberry Salad - Open a jar of cranberries and put them in a bowl. Next mix in some pecans. Then put the bowl in the microwave for 10 minutes. Let it cool off. Then you can eat it.



Rylee Jayne Young's recipe for Dressing - You get some cornbread and you put salad and powder and milk in it. Then you add a little pepper. Next you mix it and cook it in the oven for three minutes.

Myleigh Jones' recipe for Mashed Potatoes - First you get some plain potatoes and wash them and mash them. Put them in a pan with some butter and when it is done, you eat it.

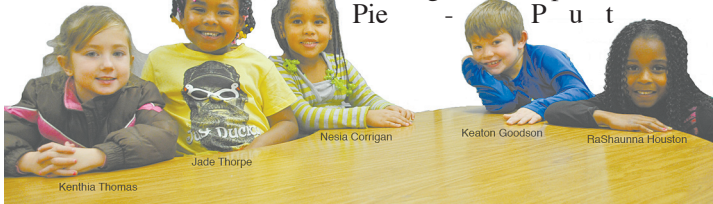
Anna Ligons' and Tammy Mayo's kindergarten class share their Thanksgiving recipes: Dillon Collin's recipe for Lemon Pie - Lemons, pine cones, and lemon juice. You mix it together and pour in and cook.

Lexie Eakes' recipe for Turkey - Shoot a turkey, cut the head off, take feathers off, put in the sink and wash it off. Then you fry it.

E'Drece Bonds' recipe for Ham - Go to the store and get a ham. Put it in the oven. Take it out and cut it up.

Camille Hendrix's recipe for Mac & Cheese - Put cheese in a bowl with macaroni and put on stove and eat it. Asia Powers' recipe for Turkey - Kill a turkey. Cook it and eat it.

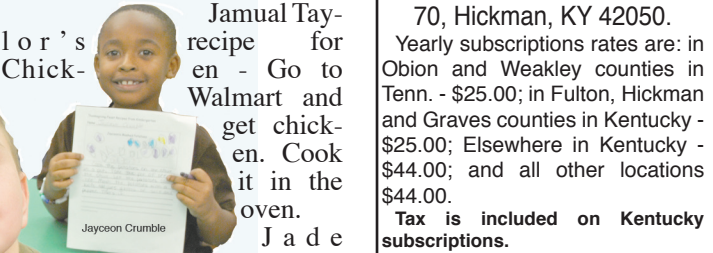
Emmarie Cermak's recipe for Ham - Go to Walmart and buy a ham. Bake the ham. Eat the ham.



pecans, sugar in a pan and cook it. Put in a pie crust.

Lexie Grace Uzzle's recipe for Turkey - My daddy kills a turkey. Cut the feathers off. Then put it in the oven. Then cut it and eat it.

Collin DeHart's recipe for Macaroni and Cheese - Put macaroni in a bowl then put cheese in the bowl. Stir it and eat it.



Jade Thorpe's recipe for Banana Pudding - Put vanilla wafers, cream, cut up bananas, in a bowl. Mix it up and eat it.

RaShaunna Houston's recipe for Turkey - Get a turkey and put it in the oven and when it's done, eat it.

Keaton Goodson's recipe for Pecan Pie - Put goldish syrup and pecans in the pie crust and put it in the oven for a while. When it's out of the oven it cools down and dries. Then eat it.

Nesia Corrigan's recipe for Ham - Go to the Dollar Store and get a ham. Cook it in the pan in the oven. Cut it apart and it's everybody's dinner.

Kenthia Thomas' recipe for Turkey - Get a turkey from Walmart. Put it in the oven and get it out and eat it.

Alaya McCann's recipe for Macaroni & Cheese - Put cheese and macaroni in a bowl and cook it in the microwave for 5 minutes.

Skyler Massey's recipe for Turkey - Go to Union City to the store and get a turkey. Mamma




cooks it then I eat it.

Aiden Poore's recipe for Turkey - Go to store and buy turkey. Cook it all night with salt on it. Cut it up and eat it.


Caden Kimble's recipe for Banana Pudding - Put bananas and pudding in a bowl and stir it up.



SENIOR Spotlight



Julia Cox
Parent's names: Phyllis Gomes
Brother's name: Austin Cox
Sports you play (if any): Softball and Volleyball
Position you play: Catcher
Favorite thing about your sport (what makes you enjoy playing): It relieves my stress
Plans after graduation: I plan to attend college.
Clubs, activities, accomplishments, and etc.: HOSA, FBLA, JAM
Favorite part of school: 3:00 p.m.
Something interesting about yourself: I have seven piercings.



Nicholas Guess
Parent's names: Raymond and Sandra Guess
Church and/or community involvement: Sassafras Ridge Baptist Church.
Plans after graduation: I plan to go to college and become a RN.
Clubs, activities, accomplishments, and etc.: FBLA, HOSA, FFA, Beta.
Favorite part of school: Club meetings.
Something interesting about yourself: I like to draw and paint and sing.
Fondest memory while at Fulton County High School: The Senior parade and running through the halls.

FCHS Class of 2014

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Nicholas Guess
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Turning Back The Clock

25 Years Ago
March 9, 1989

Obituaries: Noah Watts, 91; Elizabeth Blincoe, 76; Tom Forbus, 81; Lou Annie McClure, 89.

Hickman Pipe and Tube Corporation will be taking applications for employment on Thursday, March 9. The new plant will be located in the warehouse building at the Fulton County-Hickman Riverport in West Hickman.

The Fulton County Lady Pilots are No.1 in the First District, winning their first district championship in eight years during the basketball tournament last week. Sam Miller, coach, was honored by being named "Girls Basketball Coach of the Year" for the First District.

Blonnie Mikel has been appointed as Hickman City Commissioner by Governor Wallace Wilkinson. Mikel will be filling the unexpired term of Dennis Coffey who resigned last fall due to health reasons.

Macie Lynn Henderson celebrated her third birthday on February 15, with three parties during that week.

Fran Yarbro McPeak, daughter of Drag and Baby Doll Yarbro, has recently been promoted to Senior Consultant for the State Testing and Evaluation Center, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tenn.

50 Years Ago
May 21, 1964

Hickman's population figure officially jumped up to approximately 1800 this week with the annexation of areas in Southern Heights and along the Dyersburg road.

Judy Wilmath is valedictorian of Western School and Diana George, salutatorian.

David K. Holland, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Holland, was promoted from captain to major April 23.

David Stroud is employed in Memphis and his family will join him after school is out.

Mr. and Mrs. Morrison McClure are the proud parents of a baby girl born May 15, at Obion County Hospital.

Fulton County Judge John C. Bondurant has proclaimed June as Dairy Month.

75 Years Ago
May 26, 1939

The softball season will be officially opened here, Monday night at 8:00 o'clock when Dixie Robinson tosses the first ball into the diamond to start the teams on their round robin for the championship.

A.T. Cantrell brought to The Courier office Monday a bound-back Webster's Speller 94 years old. Mr. Cantrell stated that he also possesses a Bible, which is 105 years old.

The following pupils of Tyler School were not absent during the entire year: First grade: Billie June Pierson, Alfred Barton, Terry Glenn Pickett; second grade: Patsy Sue Pearson; third grade: Russell Gerald Bynum; sixth grade: Ruby Fields and Patsy Ruth Darnell.

The local Chapter of American Legion recently purchased the old Choate building on Clinton Street from Joe Wiley and has rented the lower floor to Charles Rice.

125 Years Ago
June 9, 1889

A large crowd was present to see Elder T.R. Waggener, of the Baptist Church, baptize 15 persons in Kings Pond Sunday evening.

Capt. James Cronan has put a small steamer in the trade between Tiptonville, New Madrid, and Point Pleasant.

The landowners on the riverfront from the Dr. Farris Ferry to French Gulf have prohibited all persons from driving loose Cattle or stock over said road, since the same is not a public highway.

It might be better if the city owned its own water works.

Milburn voted \$10,000 to aid the Paducah and Hickman railroad Monday. Clinton refused to vote her expected quota.



STOP BULLYING - Kentucky State Police Trooper Jay Thomas (left) presented a program on Anti-Bullying to Fulton County Middle School students on Tuesday morning, Nov. 19. He also talked to the high school later that same afternoon. Bullying keeps 162,000 students home from school on a daily basis because they are afraid of being bullied. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

Bullying can become deadly if not stopped

Charlotte Smith
Editor

Fulton County students took the "S.T.O.P." bullying, violence and risky behavior in school back in October. So far 159 students ages 1-11 have taken the pledge to stop bullying, followed by 81 in the ages of 12-14, 30 in the age group of 15-18, and 13 above 19 years of age.

To follow to keep the need to stop bullying at the forefront of everyone's minds Kentucky State Police (KSP) Trooper Jay Thomas presented a highly emotional presentation to middle school and high school students on Tuesday, Nov. 19.

KSP Trooper Thomas discussed the warning signs of bullying and told the students that 162,000 kids are scared to go to school daily because of bullying. Some of the warning signs include: a change in a student's appearance, no longer enjoying activities or hobbies they once liked doing, rather spend time with adults, happy on days with no school, losing things, taking a different route to school and so much more.

A video from the perspective of law enforcement and parents of children who were targeted by bullies was very dramatic and got right to the point. One parent whose daughter tragically took her life made his mark, when he told her story. "She was terrified and we didn't even know it," he said. "I was old

school and thought we handled it the way we should." After she took her life, he realized that it wasn't the case. He wished that her classmates would have spoken up, said something to let him know what she was going through.

It is important if you see bullying going on, that you tell an adult. "Remember, treat others the way you want to be treated," stated KSP Trooper Jay Thomas. That quote was reiterated in the video.

A new KRS law now includes harassment at school, on a school bus going to school, and

at a school sponsored event, making bullying a crime in the state of Kentucky during these times.

"It is important to stand up and say no to bullies," KSP Trooper Jay Thomas said. "You can make a difference. You need to be the difference. Don't keep deadly secrets.

Another law enforcement officer in the video added this quote "I will go to my grave talking about this issue until a difference is made." Some children are bullied so intently that it drives them to take their own lives.



DAILY REMINDER - A bulletin board in the hallway of Fulton County Elementary/Middle School is a daily reminder to students to help stop bullying. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

Happy Birthday

The Hickman Courier wishes all these good folks a very happy birthday! Help make their days more special by remembering them with a card or a phone call.

December 2 - Cindy McWhorter, Pamela Mansfield Piatt, Chris Eddlemon, and Corey Busby.

December 3 - Junior Rice, Wendy Morgan, Elizabeth Ray, Victoria Brooke Curlin, Katie Baggett, and Josh Bailey.

December 4 - Jeanette

Childers Jones, Cayce Brunswick, Carolyn Mays, Tommy Stayton.

December 5 - Ronald Nipp Jr., Joan Jones, Charles H. Poyner IV, and Deborah Liliker.

December 6 - Hilary Layne Hughes, Jennifer Merrell, Brendan Wilson, Kandace Nall, and Teresa Carr.

December 7 - Betty Williams,

Joann Skacevic, Matt Gardner, Dianne Collins, and Javin West.

December 8 - Jim Powers, Diana Finch, Imogene Gaskins, Mike Halterman, Greg Cole, T.J. Love, Jennifer Robinette, Kacee Parks, Teresa Schlosser, Anthony Holloway, Kim S. Argo, Ella Elizabeth Wilhaucks, and Elizabeth Morrill.

Deed Transfers

The following Deed Transfers were recorded in the office of Fulton County Clerk Betty Abernathy from November 15 - 19, 2013:

Melissa White Croom and husband Allen Croom of Martin, Tenn.; Cynthia Ann White Mora and husband Cesar Mora of Fulton, Ky., Richard H. White of Fulton; and the Estate of Richard H. White and the Richard H. White, Sr. revocable Living Trust to Joy Kemp of Hickman, Ky., property in City of Hickman, value \$25,000.00, November 15, 2013.

Jerry Lynn Noffel and wife Martha R. Noffel of Mims, Fla. to Samuel Jesse Hancock and wife Erin C. Hancock of Fulton, property in City of Fulton, value \$20,000.00, November 18, 2013.

William A. Bennett and wife, Kathleen Bennett of Allen Park, Mich. to Mark Bennett of Fulton, property in Fulton County, value \$113,300.00, November 19, 2013.



DOOR PRIZE WINNER - Glenda Cochrum won this beautiful Christmas wreath after she purchased a ticket during the Taste of the Holidays held at the Hickman Senior Citizens Center on Thursday evening, Nov. 21. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)



T is for giving thanks.

H is for the happiness we thank God for.

A is for crisp, colorful, autumn days.

N is for remembering the first Native Americans.

K is for kindness we should all share.

S is for sharing of our blessings.

G is for giving of ourselves.

I is for independence that we are truly thankful for.

V is for visitors we welcome in our homes.

I is for inviting people to dine with us.

N is for remembering our neighbors.

G is for God, to whom we pray and give our thanks.

May you have a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving!

Weekly activities at the senior center always include Exercise every Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 10:10; **Bingo every Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 11:30;** and Chair Volleyball, Wednesday, 10:15. November activities include: Nov. 27, 10:30, Amy Thompson, Life Line Home Care, Blood Pressure monitoring; Nov. 28 & 29, Closed for Thanksgiving.

We have added Friday Bingo games to our weekly activities! Do you enjoy playing Bingo?

Come out and join us on **Monday, Wednesday & Friday** of each week! Bingo is played (25 cents a card) on these days immediately following lunch, at approximately 11:30. Bingo winners on Wednesday, Nov. 15, were Shirley Shaw, Mary Helen McCauley, Ray Drewry and Baby Doll Yarbro, coverall. Winners for Monday, Nov. 18 were Robert Morris, Helen Drewry, Lana Edwards and Idella Turner, coverall.

The following items will be served at the Senior Center next week:

Monday, Dec. 2

Baked ham, baked sweet potato, green beans, whole-wheat roll, fruit cup, and skim milk.

Tuesday, Dec. 3

Hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, angel food cake, peach slices, peanuts, and skim milk.

Wednesday, Dec. 4

Chili con carne, baked potato, saltine crackers, chocolate pudding, tossed salad, and skim milk.

Thursday, Dec. 5

Thick and juicy steak, mashed potatoes, brown gravy, spinach salad, whole-wheat roll, ambrosia, and skim milk.

Friday, Dec. 6

Pork roast, pinto beans, turnip greens, cornbread, pineapple cheesecake, and skim milk.



RECOGNIZING OVER FOUR DECADES OF SERVICE - Ladies representing Early Headstart presented Mary Cheirs (far right) with a Carson Center gift certificate and a favorite framed photo with "The Power of Education" on it from the Fulton County School Board. Those presenting the photo include (l to r) Nicole Roberson, Tameka Gray, Tonya McClure, and Althia Caldwell. Not pictured: Celinda Udley. A retirement reception was held on Saturday, Nov. 23 at the board office for Cheirs with family, friends, and former Early Head Start children present for the occasion. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

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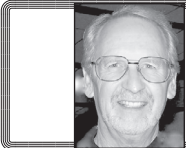
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Sports In Kentucky
For the Hickman Courier
By Bob Watkins

Thanksgiving.
Has the intrinsic value of the holiday become a hiccup until 12:01 Black Friday? Is it a series of YouTube images of a shopper stampeped past pushed back glass doors into retail stores for “pictures at 6! news?”
Last week I was standing at drugstore a front aisle where the first display to get shopper attention might have been a pilgrim or a cardboard turkey, but was instead a life-sized Santa Claus.
C’mom.
Is Thanksgiving become a meal and afternoon nap while the Detroit Lions muck up the television screen?
From its rather odd origin, Thanksgiving Day has gradually shucked off traditional definitions we knew or thought we did last century. Abraham Lincoln declared in 1863 the fourth Thursday in November as Thanksgiving. Odd that, considering it was in the middle of a (Civil) War.
Roll the calendar forward 114 years and what’ve we got? Thanksgiving mean in Kentucky, what’s it mean to you?
Age mellows us, I think, and sharpens our appreciation for delicious memories related to Thanksgiving we did not recognize until later. Today, we ought resist businesses that would bull-rush us on to Christmas, with no pause to recount and be thankful for blessings at Thanksgiving.
My gratitude begins with: America, I love this place!
This week, a random items for which I am privileged and grateful to be around to share.
1. You.
2. This newspaper. For privilege to share a point of view for your consideration.
3. Critics. Appreciate them always. Disagreeable ones clear the fog from a good rhetorical spanking. And, constructive critics with ideas, point-of-views to move one to say “hmmm.”
4. Options. Asked last week if I’m considering retirement, I’m grateful to have one. Ask my wife to choose.
In athletics ...
5. Blessing. Can a Thanksgiving football weekend be any better than – Tennessee at Kentucky; and cream of the crop survivors still standing in the state high school playoffs?
6. I’m grateful my path crossed those of Calvin Bird (Corbin) and Howard Crittenden (Cuba). They left us this year. All-American athletes, but each was more an All-American human being.

7. Legacies. Dean Smith was a recipient of the President’s Medal of Freedom recently. A Hall of fame ball coach gave North Carolina 36 years, prepared teams for 879 wins. Smith insisted his Tar Heels be college men and they revere him still. Smith’s legacy, 96 per cent of his players graduated college.
8. Player awards. My favorites in 2013 are A.J. McCarron (Alabama) for the Heisman, Teddy Bridgewater (Louisville) for John Unitas Award, and Antonio Andrews (Western Kentucky) for the Paul Hornung Trophy. Good players, good young men.
9. Keepin ‘em Honest. Two months ago an internet columnist expert on hoops recruiting wrote: “After landing (Jabari) Parker, Duke doesn’t have any other recruits still considering coming to Durham.” Having added three 5-stars by last week Duke leap-frogged Kentucky for best class.
10. Hunch Dept. Tall, talented and promising kid and with a name like Elijah Sindelar, quarterback at Caldwell County High has work to do, but is drawing raves like this from Todd Griffin in Princeton, “... “there are times when he unleashes passes you usually only see on Sundays. ... Sometimes it’s difficult to believe he’s just a high school junior.”
11. Pittsburgh Pirates. Gave me joyous days of summer and autumn in 2013. Blessing, the good guys. Manager of the year, Clint Hurdle and National League MVP, Andrew McCutchen share more than honors. Both are community activists to betterment of people.
12. I’m grateful that, at 77, Bill Mazeroski sold his treasured Pirates memorabilia for others to enjoy and his charity and family to benefit.
13. I’m grateful for Vanderbilt and Northwestern. Universities where scholarship is for scholar athletes who deem sports as part of education and future.
14. For chest thumping braggarts in college and professional sports who believe their success was achieved solo, these sobering words: “Someone is sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago.” – Warren Buffett, billionaire.
15. Augustine Rubit, All Sun Belt performer at South Alabama receives his college degree next month. Nominated for Senior CLASS Award for

Division I seniors who reflect ideals in community, classroom, character and competition, Rubit grew up in Houston without a father and mother battling substance abuse. He failed sixth grade. Then the light came on. “I’m still just amazed to have the opportunity to play college basketball and get my degree,” Rubit said the other day.
Beyond the chalk lines ...
16. Good hands people. Because of their good work, sports editors Kevin Patton in Henderson (The Gleaner), Todd Griffin in Princeton (Times-Leader) and Dan Manley in Mt. Sterling (radio and Advocate), I am heartened to know sports journalism is on good hands and thriving above the ga-ga in Kentucky.
17. Dept of Genuine: prep prospect Justise Winslow committed to Duke last week with no mention of the NBA. “The tradition, what Coach K has done,” Winslow said. “I loved the family environment on the official visit. It just felt right.”
18. University of Kentucky displayed designs for changes at Commonwealth Stadium recently. No state tax dollars will be used and, a new science building will be partially funded by athletics.
19. The internet. Beyond twitter or facebook, click a switch and wonders of Planet Earth wonderments are ours instantly in photographs and film and information. Other cultures, ideas, good people, and music. All to give us hope over heads of self-serving politicians.
20. Ken Burns. How richer we are that this dynamic filmmaker came along to give us – Baseball, The Civil War, and The National Parks and more.
21. Friends. Thank you. My cup runneth over with a few and I look up to each with enduring reverence and admiration.
22. Doris Kearns Goodwin. Historian, Pulitzer Prize winner, remarkable writer and unabashed Red Sox fan, thankfully she shared a reason why. “My continuing love of baseball is inseparably linked to memories of my father.”
23. And, Worth Repeating at Thanksgiving: “There never was a man who did anything worth doing, who did not receive more than he gave.” Amen to Henry Beecher Ward.
24. Mother. Celebrating her 94th Thanksgiving Day, Mom is as shiny as a new dime.
Happy Thanksgiving to you.
And so it goes.

Overtime win keeps Jr. Lady Pilots undefeated

Charles Choate
Courier Correspondent
A two quarter scoring drought by the Fulton County Jr. Lady Pilots last week, almost spelled doom in their district match-up against Carlisle County.
But again, that was almost.
The Lady Pilots banded together to tie the game in the fourth quarter, and posted big plays in the overtime period, to keep an undefeated record with a thrilling 36-32 in Hickman.
“This was a rough game,” said coach Merry Williams, whose team is now (4-0) overall and (2-0) in the district. “We

struggled so much with silly errors. This was definitely not the same team that played over at Union City last week. But despite some of the things we did, the girls knew how to put it together in the end to win. That’s the most important thing.”
The Lady Pilots started the game strong in the first quarter, taking an 8-3 lead, but it was their play in the second and third quarters that coach Williams touched on.
With multiple turnovers and missed shots by Fulton County, the Lady Comets went on a 15-4 scoring spree to start the final

period leading 18-12.
In undoubtedly the most exciting basketball of the season for the large crowd in the gymnasium, the Lady Pilots cut the lead to 24-23, on a Jocelyn Mosley free throw with :49 on the clock.
After a Carlisle County turnover, the crowd erupted as Alana Coffey gave Fulton County the lead 26-24, when she drained a 3-point shot with :36 remaining.
With hopes of sealing the win in regulation, Carlisle’s Taylor

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JR. LADY PILOT PRESSURE - Fulton County’s Jada Beth Mathews (20) and Jocelyn Mosely (15) attempt to block a shot by Jr. Lady Comets player Brianna Hooper (35). The Lady Pilots picked up a big district win by beating Carlisle County 36-32 in overtime at home last week. Trailing the play is Fulton County’s Alana Coffey (5) and Alaya Barnett (30). (Photo by Charles Choate.)



FIRING UP A THREE - D.J. Virgin (35) fires a 3-point shot attempt over Carlisle County’s Trey Wilson (3) and Trevor Elder (11) during their game last week in Hickman. Virgin scored five points in the game for the Jr. Pilots, but it was Carlisle County who claimed a 43-29 win. (See additional photo on page 7.) (Photo by Charles Choate.)

Jr. Comets spurt drops Jr. Pilots

Charles Choate
Courier Correspondent
The Carlisle County Jr. Comets took advantage of a late third quarter spurt, to hand Fulton County their third straight loss.
The Comets used a 7-0 run to end the third quarter, then out-scored the Jr. Pilots 12-5 in the fourth quarter, enroute to a 43-29 district win in Hickman.
Carlisle County began the game by jumping out to a quick 12-2 advantage in the first quarter, and maintained the lead with a halftime score of 22-15.
Coach James Bridges’ Jr. Pilots battled back in the third quarter, taking their first lead of the game, 24-22, with 2:50 on the clock.
It was then that the Comets closed the quarter with a 31-24 advantage that actually sealed the win on the road.
Fulton County was led in the game by Dre Smith, who scored 12 points.
Kahari Miller added 6, D.J. Virgin had 5, Nataven Bransford 4 and Mason Eakes 2.
Carlisle County was paced by Trey Wilson, who led all scorers with 16 points.

Relay

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and undergoing treatment in Nashville or Memphis. And, of course, there is funding of research grants to learn new ways to detect, treat and prevent this terrible disease.”
The American Cancer Society Relay For Life is looking for committee members to be a part of the 2014 Relay For Life of Fulton/Hickman/South Fulton. Committee needs for the 2014 Relay For Life include event chairperson, online chair, accounting chair, survivorship chair, logistics chair, activities chair, and luminaria chair.
The next meeting for the Relay For Life of Fulton County will be Monday, Jan. 20, at 6 p.m. A location has yet to be determined.
For information about joining the committee or about the event, call (270) 444-0743 or visit www.relayforlife.org/fultonky.

Kentucky Railway Museum definite destination station for train enthusiasts

Charlotte Smith
Editor
There is probably at least one in every family. That one person who is absolutely in love with trains. In my family it was my grandfather and he passed that love on to my mom’s brother, my Uncle Joe.
On Sunday, Nov. 17 on a return trip home from Louisville, Ky., to Union City, Tenn. I made a slight detour from my usual route on the Western Parkway, traveling some pretty countryside to find the existing location of the Kentucky Railway Museum (KRM).
My plan was to get out, explore the museum, take photos and see if I could catch the train fever that my beloved grandfather, gone for several years now, caught long ago when he once was employed by the railroad when he lived in Illinois. Unfortunately, bad weather kept me from going inside, but I did journey down a somewhat unbeaten path for a typical journey from one side of the state to the other. I did

capture a few photos.
I then spent a little time finding out more about the KRM located in New Haven, which is in Nelson County, Ky. (*one map dot for me, Cory*).
Rail enthusiasts with a dream, formed the National Railway Historical Society in 1948. During the 1950s they sought a donation of the steam locomotive to begin forming the KRM. The museum wasn’t officially chartered until 1954.
Finally, on Memorial Day in 1958, the museum opened to the public, growing quickly as they added other donated rail road equipment and artifacts. It wasn’t long before over 100,000 visitors had passed through its gates by the early 1960s.
Over the years the KRM changed location because of flooding, the loss of a lease and the need for additional space. Two brothers in New Haven, just south of Bardstown, donated six acres of land and a building for the museum headquarters. The move to permanent facilities opened July 4, 1990.

The non-profit organization has grown and prospered. Train lovers, young and old, can visit with the museum and take train excursions every day of the week, except Mondays.
Coming up on the schedule of events is the North Pole Express on December 6 where you can take a journey to the North Pole to pick up Santa. During the trip kids can enjoy cookies and chocolate, all while wearing their pajamas. Children can also sign up to become junior engineers!
If your love for locomotives and the caboose has you yearning for them, make a planned stop for the KRM where their purpose is to educate the public regarding the history and heritage of Kentucky’s railroads and the people who built them.
Planning a trip to this part of the state and want to learn more about this prized treasured nestled in a quiet and picturesque part of the Bluegrass State? If so, call 800-272-0152 or visit their website www.kyrail.org.



PLAN A VISIT - The Kentucky Railway Museum has a variety of trains and train memorabilia to see and is well-worth a planned visit. Rides with Santa and the Polar Express are planned beginning on December 6. Call them at 800-272-0152 or visit their website www.kyrail.org. to plan an outing or sign up your favorite train enthusiast to become a junior engineer. (Photos by Charlotte Smith.)

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MANY TASTY MORSELS - A wide selection of delicious bite-sized entrees and dips (shown above) and desserts (at right) were available during the Taste of the Holidays event on Thursday night in Hickman. (Photos by Charlotte Smith.)



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EDP

"And nothing to lose," added Dan Vogeli, an EDP board member.

Mark Lindsey, TVA representative for Fulton County to Todd County, added that the amount of money is "a lot," but was unsure about the exact amount.

Chairman Grissom also said that Brent Yonts has focused his campaign around this bill.

In October Crittendon estimated that Fulton and Hickman counties could potentially gain \$150,000 to \$160,000 each for economic development, combining for a figure of \$300,000, through the coming years via the revenue sharing program. That money could be utilized to fund a spec building.

Having a spec building available in either Fulton or Hickman counties is a potential goal for the EDP and those funds could come in handy. Currently the former Eagle Building in Hickman and the Ferry Morse building in Fulton are both available for potential industries and the Jakel building in the Business Park in Hickman County, as well.

"We hope to fill those three buildings in the coming year like we did the locations where MVP and Kayser Automotive

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are now operating out of in Fulton County," stated Crittendon. Currently MVP has put approximately 100 people to work and Kayser looks to begin hiring in early 2014. Both have made major improvements to the two buildings they occupy.

With Lindsey noting that spec buildings are low "valley wide" on the availability list, this is an area that Crittendon and the EDP board should be focusing on. "If a spec building were to be built in one of these two counties it needs to have certain key advantages like the right amount of ceiling height and the ability to utilize cranes. The roof structure needs to be built so if a company has a need for cranes it will support it," stated Crittendon.

Crittendon also told the board that he will be working with Greg Curlin, an EDP board member and Hickman-Fulton County Riverport Director, on a marketing campaign to further promote the Eagle Building along with other programs throughout the year.

He also touched base with the Fishery guy, who is still in the planning stages and has yet to make any final decisions. "I am not sure how, when or where he is going," said Crittendon. "He is still working on some things and I am available if he chooses to come back for another visit."

After Crittendon's report, Chairman Grissom added, "This has been a great year."

The board regretfully accepted the resignation of Kent Hutchens, current vice chair. New board officers will be voted on during the January annual meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m. after scheduling the next meeting for January 23, 2014 at the Economic Development Office in Fulton.



TALKING STRATEGY - Jr. Lady Pilots coach Merry Williams (center) talks with her team during a timeout at their home game against Carlisle County. Fulton County overcame a seven point third quarter deficit to win the game in overtime 36-32. With the win, the Lady Pilots remain undefeated on the year. (Photo by Charles Choate.)

Ladies

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Carrico forced extra play with a basket with :09 in the quarter.

In the overtime period, the Lady Pilots Jada Beth Mathews scored two big baskets, and Mosley sank a put-back shot with :10 to play to seal the win.

"I am really proud of this team," said Coach Williams following the win. "We have shown what we can do when we put pressure on the ball, and that's what we did in the end tonight. Jada Beth really came

through for us in overtime, and when we got everything back under control we played good basketball."

Alana Coffey led the Lady Pilots with 12 points, with Jekiya Warren adding 10.

Jocelyn Mosley had 9, Jada Beth Mathews scored 4 and Alaya Barnett had 1.

Carlisle County guard Taylor Carrico led all scorers with 18 points.



REBOUND BATTLE - Fulton County's Dre Smith (5) and Mason Eakes (33) battle to secure a rebound during the Pilots district game against Carlisle County. The Jr. Comets took a late third quarter lead and held on to beat the Jr. Pilots 43-29. (Photo by Charles Choate.)



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Judith Wolfgang
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Obituaries

Bill Morris

Mr. James Avery "Bill" Morris, 87, a resident of Union City, Tenn. died November 18, 2013, at his home.

Born July 17, 1926, in Hickman, Ky., he was the son of the late Ernest Lee Morris and Maggie Viola Craddock. He married Wilma (Presson) Morris on March 11, 1948. He had been employed as a truck driver for the former Reelfoot Packing Company, served in the United States Army in World War II and was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors, in addition to his wife, include four sons and three daughters-in-law, Ronnie and Kathy Morris of Cookeville, Donnie and Glenda Morris, Gary Morris, and David

and Carol Morris, all of Union City; one daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Tom Jernigan of Union City; one brother, Gaylon Morris of Hickman; one sister, Jenny McCartney of Union City; 13 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Two sisters, Dorothy Madden and Inez Young, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held November 22, in the chapel of Edmaiston-Mosley Funeral Home in Union City, with Rev. Terry Presson officiating. Burial followed in Obion County Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers were his grandsons. Honorary pallbearer was his grandson the late Clayton Lynn Morris.

James Arthur Lane

James Arthur Lane, 68, a resident of Fayetteville, Ark., died November 12, 2013 at his.

Born January 15, 1945 in Hickman, Ky., he was the son of Dorothy Marie Jackson

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Lynn Busby
Executive Director

Lane Higgins of Prairie Grove, Ark., and the late Roy. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War, a Michigan State Champion Wrestler and served in the United States Marines for ten years.

Survivors, in addition to his mother, include four sons, James Aaron Lane of Lincoln, Ark., Jackson Cox Lane of Fayetteville, Ben Lane of Fort Smith, Ark., and Dustin Keith Williams of Rogers, Ark.; three daughters, Annie Marie Lane of Fayetteville, Lisa Bridges of Elkins, Ark., and Elizabeth Easley of Kansas City, Mo.; and seven grandchildren;

One brother, Ronald Gene Lane, and one nephew, Todd Lane, preceded him in death.

A memorial service was held November 20, at the Fayetteville National Cemetery.

Peggy Lusk Taylor

Peggy Lusk Taylor, 83, a resident of Fulton, Ky., died November 24, 2013, at Parkway Regional Hospital in Fulton.

Born January 13, 1930 in Fulton County, Ky., she was the daughter of the late Ed and Lerlean Graddy Lusk. She was a member of the Crutchfield United Methodist Church, a homemaker and was a retired sales clerk for the former Bay Shoe Store in Fulton. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Fulton County Homemakers, and was an avid Kentucky Wildcats and St. Louis Cardinals fan. She had lived in this area most of her life.

Survivors include one son, Roy E. "Eddie" (Janice) Taylor of Fulton; one daughter, Nancy (William "Bill") Grasfeder of Fulton; five grandchildren, Arneita (Kaco) Kailiawa of Kapolei, HI, Roy

Justin (Carolyn) Taylor of Murrysburg, Penn., Josh Taylor of Milwaukee, Wisc., Kyle Eagerton of Honolulu, HI, and Nathan Grasfeder of Union City, Tenn.; three great-grandchildren, Selma Taylor, Anna Taylor and Roy Silas Taylor; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Her husband, Roy M. Taylor, four brothers, Johnny Lusk, William Lusk, Horace Lusk, and Gene Lusk, and one sister, Geneva Taylor, preceded her in death.

Services were held November 27, at Hornbeak Funeral Home in Fulton with Rev. Jim Wolfgang officiating. Burial followed in Greenlea Cemetery.

Memorials may be sent to Crutchfield United Methodist Church, c/o Scarlet Bennett, 202 Englewood Blvd., Fulton, KY 42041, or the charity of your choice.

Hickman Police Department News

The Hickman Police Department reports these arrests, citations, investigations and fire calls for Hickman and Cayce Volunteer Fire Departments for Sunday, Nov. 17 – Saturday, Nov. 23:

Sunday, Nov. 17:

- Traffic stop on Union City Hwy.

- Chris Stewart arrested on warrant for contempt of court.
- Responded to a call at the police department.
- Responded to a call at Little General.

Monday, Nov. 18:

- Responded to a call on Catlett St.
- Responded to a call on Moulton St.
- Responded to a call on Harrison St.

Tuesday, Nov. 19:

- Responded to a call on Harris St.
- Responded to a call at EW James.
- Responded to a call on Magnolia St.
- Followed up on a call on Johnson Ln.
- Traffic stop on 7th St.
- Responded to a call at Davis Park.
- Sherkia Esters arrested on warrants for failure to appear and failure to comply.
- Responded to a motor vehicle accident on EW James parking lot.

Wednesday, Nov. 20:

- Responded to a call at the school.
- Responded to a call on Broadway St.
- Responded to a call on Shelbyridge St.
- Responded to a call at the police department.

Thursday, Nov. 21:

- Responded to a call on Union City Hwy.
- Responded to a call on Shelbyridge St.
- Performed a welfare check on Bernal Ave.
- Responded to a call on Cedar St.

Friday, Nov. 22:

- No Activity

Saturday, Nov. 23:

- Responded to a call on Ivey St.
- Responded to an animal complaint at Little General.
- Assisted Tri-City EMS on Station Ln.
- Traffic stop on Moulton St.
- Traffic stop on 7th St.
- Traffic stop on Moscow Ave.
- Traffic stop on Myron Cory Dr.
- Thomas Sims cited for expired operator's license.
- Traffic stop on 7th St.
- Traffic stop on Bernal Ave.
- Travis Newberry cited for disregarding stop sign and failure to produce insurance card.

Fulton County Sheriff's Department News

The Fulton County Sheriff's Department reports these arrests and citations for Tuesday, Nov. 19 through Friday, Nov. 22:

Tuesday, Nov. 19:

- David T. Lusk of Fulton, Ky., white male, citation, no insurance, 1st.
- Deza Rae Powers of Fulton, white female, arrested, (Grand Jury Indictment Warrant) – promoting contraband 1st degree.

Wednesday, Nov. 20:

- Deza Rae Powers of Fulton, white female, arrested, bench warrant failure to appear (McCracken County).
- Erica Howry of Hickory, Ky., white female, arrested, bail jumping 2nd degree (warrant Graves Co.).
- Justin Glover of Alexandria, Ky., white male, arrested, 2 counts non-payment of fines (warrant Campbell Co.).

Friday, Nov. 22:

- Treymer Lee of Louisville, Ky., black male, arrested,

receiving stolen property \$10,000 or more, trafficking in stolen identities, and persistent felony offender.

- Teri Goodman of Mayfield, Ky., white female, citation, speeding 23 mph over limit.
- Anthony Davison of Paducah, Ky., white male, citation, speeding 15 mph over limit.
- Andria Brockwell of Hickman, Ky., white female, citation, speeding 26 mph or greater over limit.
- Kerry Speer of Kenton, Tenn., white male, citation, speeding 20 mph over limit.
- Russell Smith of Union City, Tenn., white male, citation, speeding 21 mph over limit, failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance, 1st offense.
- Ashley Pealer-Richards of Allons, Tenn., white female, citation, disregarding stop sign, and careless driving.

Fulton Grand Jury indicts 11

In the eleven indictments that were handed down by the Fulton Grand Jury on Thursday, Nov. 14 charges ranged from Rape, Burglary, and Manufacturing Methamphetamine, and more. Those charges include:

- Earl Varnell Bean - Trafficking in a Controlled Substance, 1st Degree, Namely Cocaine, 2nd Offense

- Erica Layne Howry - Theft by Unlawful Taking, Shoplifting; Possession of Marijuana; Possession of a Controlled Substance, 1st Degree; Possession of a Controlled Substance, 1st Degree; Possession of a Controlled Substance, 1st Degree; Possession of a Controlled Substance not in Original Container; and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, 1st Offense

- Joe Duty - Disorderly Conduct, Two Counts; Resisting Arrest; and Assault, 3rd Degree
- Lawrence L. Ellis - Rape, 3rd Degree, Two Counts; Sodomy, 3rd Degree, Two Counts; Custodial Interference, Two Counts; Trafficking in Marijuana, less than 8 ounces, 1st Offense; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, 1st Offense; Unlawful Transaction W/Minor, 1st - Illegal Sex Act, Four Counts; and Unlawful Transaction with a Minor, 2nd Degree

- Timothy M. Russell - Rape, 2nd Degree, Four Counts; Sodomy, 2nd Degree; Custodial

Interference, Two Counts; Trafficking Marijuana, less than 8 ounces, 1st Offense; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, 1st Offense; Unlawful Transaction W/Minor, 1st - Illegal Sex Act, Six Counts; and Persistent Felony Offender, 2nd Degree

- Kenneth J. Edwards - Operating On a Suspended License; Manufacturing Methamphetamine; Unlawful Possession of a Methamphetamine Precursor; and Bail Jumping, 1st Degree
- Lionell Sellers - Failure to Comply W/Sex Offender Registration and Persistent Felony Offender, 1st Degree
- Marcus O. Brown - Burglary, 3rd Degree; Theft By Unlawful Taking; Criminal Mischief, 1st Degree; and Persistent Felony Offender
- Kevin T. Dowell - Burglary, 3rd Degree; Theft By Unlawful Taking; Criminal Mischief, 1st Degree; and Persistent Felony Offender, 1st Degree
- Thomas J. Lamb - Robbery, 1st Degree; and Persistent Felony Offender, 1st Degree
- Tommy Lee Morefield - Complicity to Custodial Interference, Two Counts; and Unlawful Transaction W/Minor, 1st - Illegal Sex Act, Nine Counts
- Timothy Slaughter - Theft By Unlawful Taking, Over \$10,000, Auto; and Persistent Felony Offender, 1st Degree

Bluff Briefs

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Obion Creek Watershed Conservancy District to meet

The Obion Creek Watershed Conservancy District Board of Directors will meet Tuesday morning, Dec 10, at 7:30 a.m., in the USDA Service Center, Conference Room, in Clinton. The public is invited to attend.

Pastor and wife Celebration

Lake Chapel Missionary Baptist Church invites everyone to come in the name of Jesus Christ to celebrate the 13th anniversary of Pastor Michael and Dorothy Benford. The celebration will be held Sunday, Dec. 1. The 11 a.m. speaker will be associate minister Hulon Scates; 1:30 p.m. dinner will be served at the Pleasant Hill Fellowship Hall; and the 3 p.m. guest pastor will be Michael McClure of Turning Point Ministries of Hickman.

Community Christmas Celebration

The Community Christmas Celebration sponsored by the Hickman Chamber of Commerce will be December 6, 2013 at the Life Enrichment Center from 5 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Soup, chili, deserts benefiting our hometown Christmas decorations.

Christmas Patron Appreciation Day

The Hickman Public Library will hold its annual Christmas Patron Appreciation Day festivities on Thursday, Dec. 19, from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

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Johnson, Circuit Clerk, P.O. Box 198, Hickman, KY 42050, no later than May 22, 2014.

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The History of the “Old Swinging Bridge”

Christina Corrigan
Courier Correspondent

Over 104 years ago - The Walker Foot Bridge better known to some as the “Old Swinging Bridge” was constructed by Vincennes Bridge Company of Vincennes, Ind. in 1909 and located near Southern Heights. It was made of steel with a wooden floor and spanned a ravine called “Sleepy Hollow,” beginning in the Southern Heights area and stretching over to Upper Catlett Street. The Bridge was 285 feet in length. Colonel Claude Walker had the first old wooden bridge torn down in early 1909. Up until 1960 - the Hickman City Commission made repairs to the bridge. The bridge was condemned in 1960 with warning signs posted everywhere on January 4, 1971. At that time the Commission decided by unanimous vote that the bridge would remain standing as a long time

landmark and former tourist attraction. The Walker footbridge with its fabulous historical background was one of Kentucky’s truly historical monuments. It was a popular place for children to play and ride their bikes. Claude L. Walker served as County Judge from 1934 to 1942. He remained in poor health throughout his term as county judge. He died shortly after leaving office. Judge Walker lived in what is known as the Townsend House and owned the property known as the Southern Heights and sold it as lots for others to live on. Many people used the footbridge to go over to Upper Catlett St. from Southern Heights because most had no other means of transportation. Among those were Corrigan’s grandmother, Domma Huey, and family, who used the bridge as a shortcut to go to church.



RECOLLECTING OLD MEMORIES – Ms. Lilas Violet Bowers (left) is sitting on the Walkers Footbridge with her friend Nettie Mae Johnson (right). This picture was made in the 1930’s and the young ladies were about 18 years old. (Photo submitted.)

Enrollment

complete three predatory classes in the same program. Sullivan also presented the school board with a proposed budget for the next five years. The ATC facilities budget presented by Sullivan breaks down the estimated funding of \$59,000 a year with 50% (\$29,500) for upgrades, 12% (\$7,080) for maintenance; and 38% (\$22,420) for savings. Placing 38% of the budget in savings each year will allow them to focus on bigger ticket items when those needs arise. School board chairman Wiley Gannon presented Fulton High School Principal Tracey Lamb with two certificates, recognizing the achievement of the school’s Ag Program and Justin Suttles. The school’s progress with college enrollment during College Week and the efforts of Dean of Students and Assistant Principal Ellen Murphy, were also noted. Supt. Collins has posted the district’s 30-60-90 plan, which is a blueprint for the first 90 days Collins has been superintendent. He briefly discussed his ILP plan, which is based on 78 standards and the rubric is on a 1 to 4 scale with 1 being the lowest and 4 being the highest. The plan has been added to the board’s minutes and will possibly be utilized as a template for the superintendent’s evaluation. Currently Collins ILP score is 2.5, 60% which places him in the middle of the developing and accomplished.

“We will meet our deadline for our fiscal budget,” added Supt. Collins. “We requested a budget extension of December 15 and it is going well. We also signed a contract for the forensic budget, which will assist us with knowing what to do with the fiscal budget.” The forensic audit should be back by December 31. “Our goal is to create a budget that is fiscally sound while also providing adequate funds for debt services. We did pay this year’s payment for debt services already and that is positive,” Supt. Collins said. “We will be able to create a larger general fund and will discuss raises. We are excited about our

teachers ramping up the rigor and our students progress. We still have a ways to go in terms of proficiency, but we are moving towards that direction. Our teachers are working hard as the district has moved from the bottom 10% in the state to the 50% range in the state and we have a desire to reward our teachers for a job well done. The board’s goal is to increase the general fund in order to have the ability to discuss faculty and staff raises. The board is serious about rewarding our faculty, staff, and students as they have proved they are working hard towards proficiency, positive relationships, and Pilot pride.” Sickness early in the school year has lowered this year’s attendance percentage slightly when compared to last year. “Early in the school year we had a lot of sickness in grades 1, 2, and 3,” stated Craig Turner, Director of Pupil Personnel. “We are working to catch up. Hopefully we won’t get hit with the



COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING - During the end of the Community Thanksgiving Service at the The First Church of God participants enjoyed fellowship and desserts. Several Hickman churches participated in the Sunday evening program. (Photo by Christina Corrigan.)



FIRST CHURCH OF GOD COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE - On Sunday, Nov. 24, The First Church of God held their Community Thanksgiving Service. During the worship program Bro. Tom Quimby (center) is speaking about the giving on Thanksgiving. Local community preachers, but not pictured, who also brought messages of thanks to the community were Bro. Michael Benford, Bro. Charles Blair, and Rev. James Roberson. Several groups also brought the gift of music song during the program. (Photo by Christina Corrigan.)

Repairs

berm the Corps said needed to be built as the river level reached unprecedented figures and the levee softened creating more and more sand boils. Terry Patey provided aerial photos of the road and also explained how the current condition of the road has been detrimental to his truck. Pat Welch recalled the hard work that former Magistrates the late Bill Mitchum and the late Dennis Hulin did, resulting in making Suttin Road decent. It is the only road they can travel to and from their home on a daily basis. Governor Steve Beshear witnessed the condition of the road first hand during the flood fight and Fulton County Attorney Rick Major stated that he didn’t

want to travel on the road because it was so rough. “We (Fiscal Court) made him (Gov. Beshear) go down it,” stated Judge/Executive Gallagher. FEMA wouldn’t repair the road because they said it was not flood damage, that it was a project the Corps did. “When we finally received word that the Corps wasn’t going to honor the word of one of their own, it was a bitter pill for the people of Fulton County to swallow,” added County Attorney Major. Col. Anderson, who assumed his post in July 2013, understood the scary time his predecessor Col. Michael Walsh and everyone here experienced in 2011. He commended them for being hearty folks who chose to fight and remain here. However, he had no answers for Judge/Executive Gallagher, members of the Fiscal Court, the Pateys Pat Welch, or the others in the room.

Christina Peterson, of Senator Paul’s office, requested a 30-day time frame on the revisit of the issue and Col. Anderson asked not to be held to that at the time of the meeting. “All the claims from Flood Fight 2011 went through another office,” he explained. “I know we don’t want to involve lawyers, but it is an issue that our lawyers will need to review.” “If we thought it was going to come down to this we would have had a contract signed before any trucks hit that road,” added Judge/Executive Gallagher. “We just want the Corps to revisit the issue and repair Sutton and Davis roads.” “I give you my word that we will revisit the issue,” reiterated Col. Anderson. “I can’t tell you what the outcome will be.” Senator Mitch McConnell’s representative Martie Wiles was in attendance on Monday.

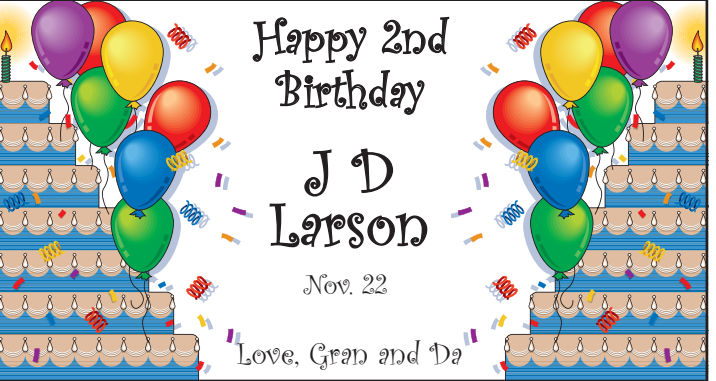


SCIENCE FAIR FUN – On Monday, Nov. 25, the Fulton County Elementary/Middle School hosted a Science Fair. Mrs. Brey Jones (left) and Mrs. Brandy Whitten (right) review the science projects. Science Fair winners and participants will appear in next week’s Courier. (Photo by Christina Corrigan.)

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culture in all we do,” stated Fulton County Superintendent Aaron Collins. “It proves that hard work from our farming community, FFA, administrators, faculty, staff, parents and students is paying off. It feels good to be #1 and in the top 10 and now the challenge will be to stay there.” Fulton County’s Ag-Ed program is ranked number one in PLAN - Reading; number 11th in PLAN - Mathematics; and ranked 10th in PLAN - Composite score. “This proves that agricultural education is more than just technical content; it’s the combination of rigorous academic concepts, relevant employability experiences, and impactful leadership opportunities, which leads to methodical development of the entire student,” stated Brandon K. Davis, State Supervisor of Agricultural Education, Kentucky Department of Education. A continued review of the agricultural education program in 2012-2013 at Fulton County showed that the school averaged higher than school average on six assessments, including Biology End of Course, and PLAN tests in English, Math, Reading, Science Reasoning, and Composite Score. “This is a testament to the hard work of your students, focus on academics of your program, and working relationship that exists with teachers in your school,” added Davis. “We are very fortunate to have such a well-rounded vocational agriculture program for our students,” noted Fulton

County High School Principal Tracey Lamb. “This program provides our students with skills and certifications for careers that can benefit our community. We want to thank our alumni for their support of our agriculture program through their countless hours and resources they contribute throughout the year.” Fulton County Ag teacher Justin Suttles has been with the district for 3 years. He filled the vacancy when David Black, long time Fulton County teacher, retired. Suttles is active in the community, serving on the Hickman Recreation Tourist Commission board. He has involved his students in many facets of the agriculture industry and the students have even met Fulton County Agricultural Commissioner James Comer. “Agriculture Education is one of the only programs in schools that incorporate all other areas into the curriculum; writing, science, and math are all at the core of what we do. We emphasize being proficient and distinguished in these areas in order to better understand the concepts taught in the agriculture classroom and laboratory,” commented Suttles. “My job as an Agriculture teacher is to not only teach my students the skills needed to be successful in the agriculture industry, but also emphasize those skills every citizens needs to be a productive member of society. I was very proud to hear this news, but I was not surprised by it. Our students here at Fulton County have endless potential, and I am privileged to see them develop that potential on a daily basis.”



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12/3.....	Paducah Tilghman.....	7:30
12/6.....	Obion Co. Central.....	4:30
12/10.....	CCA.....	6:00
12/14.....	Lake Co.....	6:00
12/17.....	Hickman Co.....	4:30
12/19.....	Peabody.....	6:00
12/19.....	Trees & Trends Trny.....	TBA
	@ Christian Fellowship	
12/28-30..	Stewart Co. Classic.....	TBA
	Stewart County, TN	
1/4.....	Obion Co. Central.....	4:30
1/10.....	Fulton City.....	6:00
1/11.....	South Fulton.....	6:00
1/14.....	Carlisle Co.....	5:00
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Utilizing their athleticism to its fullest is key for Lady Pilots

By Barry Danowski
Special to the Courier
With a youthful filled roster that is sprinkled with just two returning starters, the Fulton County Lady Pilots plan on hanging their hat on their athleticism.

"We're going to be a young team," said Fulton County girls head coach Leonard Smith, Sr. who enters his third season at the helm of the Lady Pilots. "But our strength will be our quickness. We're going to be a pressing team that gets up and down the floor. We've got girls that can cover the floor."

According to Smith, Fulton County's success on the hardwood will be heavily dictated by the play of returning starters Delraysha Alexander (a senior guard) and Lucy Kimble (a junior guard). Alexander was solid for the

Lady Pilots last season, averaging 6.2 points per game, 2.1 rebounds per outing and three steals per game. As a freshman,

Kimble averaged 5.3 points per game with an impressive 4.5 assists per showing.

"How Delraysha and Lucy

play will be how we play," said Smith. "We've got nine girls

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LADY PILOTS GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM 2013-2014 - Players suiting up for the Lady Pilots in 2013-2014 include (front row, l to r) Justus Wilson, Dixie Major, Ky'lira Williams, Ya'Shema (Lucy) Kimble, Delraysha Alexander, Leslie Beth Jackson, AnnaGregory Grissom, and Leah Weatherly; and Assistant Coach Alisha Wilson, Head Coach Leonard Smith, Sr., and Assistant Coach Denise Grissom. Not pictured: Player Alexis Dickson. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

Pilots possess athletic ability and defensive toughness

By Barry Danowski
Special to the Courier
Mitchell Williamson's formula for Fulton County's success on the hardwood is built on the foundation of defense. Factor in the Pilots' other key ingredients on the offensive end of the floor,

and that gives Williamson high hopes as Fulton County looks to make a splash in the First District race.

"Our strengths are going to be our athletic ability, our quickness and defensive toughness," said Williamson, Fulton County

boys' basketball coach. "We might not have a lot of seniors on this squad, but we have a lot of experience."

Fulton County's offense will be centered around senior forward Octavious Smith. One of the top players in Class A in the

First Region, Smith averaged a double-double last season as a guard who will make the transition to forward.

"Octavious was listed as the fourth best player in all A," Williamson said. "He's got good post moves."

The Pilots will be handicapped, so to speak, at the beginning of the season as freshman point guard Davis Major and sophomore forward Joe Holman are sidelined with knee injuries. Williamson hopes to get Davis back before district play begins and Holman will likely be on crutches through December.

As an eighth-grader, Major (6'1) led Fulton County's rally that came up short against district champion Carlisle County with nine fourth quarter points in the district tournament.

"Davis can handle the ball and he

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PILOTS BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM 2013-2014 - Members of the Fulton County Boy's Basketball varsity and junior varsity squads include the following players: (front row, l to r) Shaun Murphy, Brendan Wilson, Charles Riffe, Taylor Sipes, and De'Andre Couch; (middle row, l to r) O'Shay Freeman, Jarrett West, Quinn Nolan, De'Vontae Hampton, Aaron Allen, Ryan Williams, and Terrell Wilson; and (back row, l to r) Head Coach Mitchell Williamson, Stephen Houston, Davis Major, Octavious Smith, Austin Matheny, Joe Holman, and Steven Roberson, and Assistant Coach is Leonard Smith, Sr. (Photo by Charlotte Smith.)

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can shoot the lights out,” Williamson said.

Williamson’s offense, which will use multiple guards, will have depth. Sophomore DeVontae Hampton, who played most of the season at point guard last year, sophomore Aaron King and junior Steven Roberson will man the slashing guard slots.

“Hampton’s a baller who can handle pressure,” Williamson said. “Steven is our energizer and King brings a defensive toughness and is an intelligent player.”

Senior forward Austin Matheny (6-4) gives the Pilots another sound defensive presence and can “shoot the lights out.”

Williamson noted that junior Stephen Houston and sophomore Ryan Williams are expected to contribute.

Fulton County’s non-district schedule is not for the faint of heart, but should prepare the Pilots for district play, although they may take some bumps and bruises along the way. Their season-opener at First Region powerhouse Paducah Tilghman will give Williamson a good

indication of where his squad is right off the bat. The Pilots will dip down across the state line for tough match-ups against Trenton Peabody, Obion Central and Lake County.

The First District race appears to be relatively wide open. Graduation hit defending district champion Carlisle County hard. Williamson gives a slight nod to Hickman County (along with standout Billy Speed) as the district favorite with the rest of the field – Fulton County, Carlisle County and Fulton City (which was decimated by graduation) – bidding for second through fourth place.

“Our schedule is tough, but we are looking to get better as a team with our non-district schedule,” Williamson said. “We haven’t been to the regional tournament in two years, so our goal is to win the district title on our way back to the regional tournament. Hickman County is so much taller than us and they have Speed back. But you never count out a Carlisle County team coached by Brian O’Neill.”

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and they are all going to get some playing time.”

If Smith were to list a starting five today, his line-up would include Alexander, Kimble, freshman guard Leslie Beth Jackson, freshman guard Kylira Williams and sophomore AnnaGregory Grissom. Smith noted that freshman Leah Weatherly, junior Dixie Major, junior Justus Wilson and junior Alexis Dickson would see significant time off the bench and that the starting rotation would not necessarily see the most playing time.

Fulton County’s fast-paced offense, which runs a three-guard system, and pressure defense that will rely heavily on trapping and creating turnovers that will translate into easy scoring opportunities on the offensive end of the floor will need as many fresh legs as possible.

“I hope so,” Smith said when asked if playing multiple players will be a key to the Lady Pilots’ success. “We want to get out and play up-tempo against teams that are slower, but have the ability to slow down teams that might be quicker than us. We hope to force a lot of turnovers.”

Smith, who has coached at Fulton County in various capacities over the past 15 years, has a brutal non-district schedule that showcases a handful of Tennessee powerhouses – Obion County and South Fulton. He hopes to be in the mix in the First District race that appears to be wide open behind district front-runner Carlisle County.

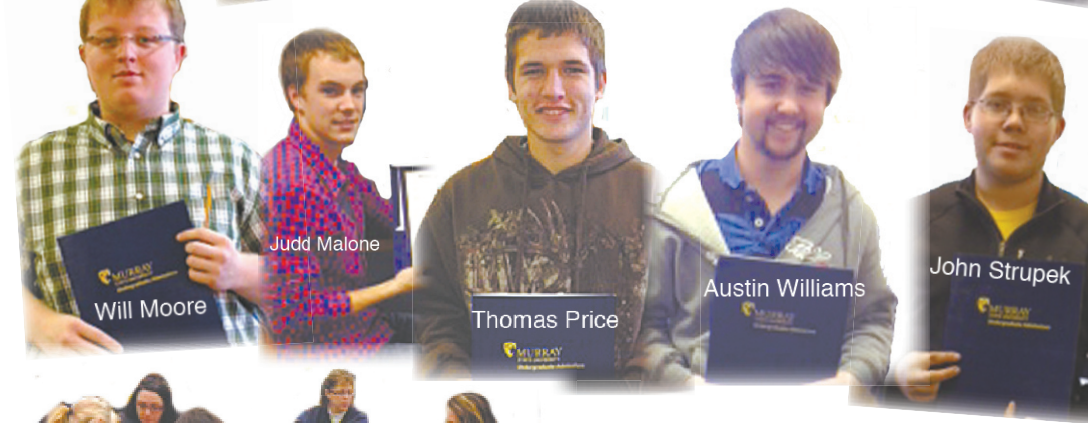
“Carlisle County will be the number one team coming in and then it is a toss-up between us, Hickman County and Fulton City,” Smith said. “I’m hoping that our tough schedule will pay off by the end of the year. You become a better team by playing better teams. We will be very capable of pulling off upsets if people take us lightly.”

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